PROJECT NAME: Utah State University Education Outreach, Demonstration, and Research at the Utah

Botanical Center

RECIPIENT: Utah State University

LOCATION: Logan, Utah

PURPOSE: Funding for this project will be used to enhance the Utah Botanical Center. These enhancements include:

- Assist the local green industry through education and support in developing and evaluating ornamental native and well-adapted, non-invasive landscape plants.
- Expand distance education offerings from the Utah Botanical Center.
- Continue to establish public demonstration landscapes to illustrate plant combinations for water conserving residential, institutional and commercial landscapes.
- Develop and support education programs focusing on natural systems. The UBC property affords opportunities to provide meaningful learning to various audiences.
- Promote plant conservation by establishing a repository of germplasm and live specimens including selected plant species of interest and threatened and endangered species from the Intermountain Region.
- Coordinate the investigation and establishment of suitable landscape plant choices for the Intermountain Region by: collecting native plant seed, conducting trials of promising species including rare and endangered species, advancing nursery production methods, and interpreting the potential invasiveness of tried species.
- Continue roadside enhancement studies on 3/4-mile frontage owned by UBC on Interstate 15.
- Investigate opportunities to develop a range of commercially available native turf and turf/forb products.

AMOUNT: \$450,000